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sets of publications of various learned societies. On motion, it was ordered to be printed and distributed.

A communication was read from Col. F. M. Etting in reference to the MS. copy of the Declaration of Independence in the autograph of Thomas Jefferson, owned by the Society.

On motion, the Society resolved to publish the same in *fac simile*, and requested Col. Etting to prepare suitable letter-press to accompany the reproduction.

The consideration of the publication of the old Records of the Council was postponed until the autumn.

Prof. Cope offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretaries see that there are printed on the separata issued to the contributors to the publications of the Society, the name of the publication from which they are taken, and the date at which they are issued to the author. And that both be placed on the sheets of the separata and not alone on the cover.

Mr. Wood moved to refer the motion to the Committee on Publication, and being put to a vote, the motion was declared carried.

And the Society was adjourned by the President.

Stated Meeting, May 17, 1889.

Present, 22 members.

President, Mr. FRALEY, in the Chair.

Correspondence was submitted as follows:

Program of the award of the Hoeufft prizes, by the R. Nederlandish Academy.

A letter from August Neilson, Gefle, Sweden, in relation to international language.

A communication from the "American Anthropologist," requesting a subscription, was referred to the Library Committee with power to act.

The Academie des Sciences at Cracow was ordered to receive Proceedings from No. 130.

On motion, the Tokyo (Japan) Library was placed on the exchange list, to receive Proceedings from No. 96, and a copy of the Catalog.

Letters of envoy were received from the Université Royale, Lund, Sweden; Bath and West of England Society, Bath, Eng.; Bureau des Longitudes, Paris, France; Meteorological Office, London, Eng.; Smithsonian Institution, Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C.

Letters of acknowledgment of 127 were received from Capt. Richard Temple, Mandalay, Upper Burma; Université Royale, Lund, Sweden; Musée Royale d'Histoire Naturelle de Belgique, Bruxelles; Observatorio Meteorologico-Magnetico, Central Mexico, Mex.; Observatorio Astronómico Nacional Mexicano, Tacubaya.

Letters of acknowledgment of 128 were received from the Musée Royale d'Histoire Naturelle de Belgique, Bruxelles; K. K. Central-Anstalt für Meteorologie und Erdmagnetismus, Dr. Aristides Brezina, Vienna; K. Bibliothek, Deutsche Geologische Gesellschaft, Berlin; Naturwissenschaftliche Verein, Bremen; Verein für Erdkunde, Dresden; Verein für Geographie und Statistik, Frankfurt-am-Main; Naturhistorische Gesellschaft, Hanover; Dr. Otto Böhtlingk, Julius Platzmann, Leipsic; R. Accademia dei Lincei, Roma; Station Séricicole, Montpellier; Profs. A. Daubrée, Abel Hovelacque, Gaston Planté, Remi Siméon, Paris; Prof. Lucien Adam, Rennes; Cambridge Philosophical Society, University Library, Cambridge, Eng.; Royal Society, Royal Institution, Royal Astronomical and Meteorological Societies, Society of Antiquaries, Society of Arts, Victoria Institute, Geological Societies, Sir John Lubbock, Sir Henry Thompson, Prof. William Crookes, London; Natural History Society, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Eng.; Penzance Natural History and Antiquarian Society, Plymouth, Eng.; Royal Society of Edinburgh; Royal Observatory, Mr. James Geikie, Edinburgh, Royal Dublin Society, Dublin; Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, Cam-

bridge, Mass.; Messrs. Richard L. Ashhurst, G. de B. Keim, Philadelphia, Pa.; U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Prof. S. F. Emmons, Gen. M. C. Meigs, Washington, D. C.; University of Tennessee, Knoxville; Observatorio Astronómico Nacional Mexicano, Tacubaya.

Accessions to the Library were announced from the Société Finno-ougrienne, Helsingfors; Naturforschende Gesellschaft, Emden; Académie des Sciences, Dijon; Société d'Anthropologie, Musée Guimet, Société des Antiquaires de France, Bureau des Longitudes, Paris; Sociedade de Geographia, Lisbon; Meteorological Council, London; Museum of Comparative Zoölogy, Harvard College Observatory, Cambridge, Mass.; Free Public Library, New Bedford, Mass.; Buffalo Library, Buffalo, N. Y.; Mr. W. J. Potts, Camden, N. J.; Prof. Geo. H. Cook, New Brunswick, N. J.; Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa.; Women's Anthropological Society of America, Washington, D. C.; State Historical Society of Wisconsin, Madison; Mr. Charles R. Keyes, Burlington, Ia.

The following communications were offered for the Transactions of the Society by Prof. Scott:

"On the Mammalia of the Uinta Formation," which was referred to Messrs. Horn, Cope and Ryder, to examine.

Subsequently the Committee reported in favor of its publication, and it was referred to the Committee on Publication, with power to act.

The following communications were offered for the Proceedings of the Society:

Through the Secretaries, from Prof. D. S. Kirkwood, Bloomington, Ind., on "The Inclination of the Asteroids."

Mr. Vaux offered, by title, a paper on "The Circle and Cross Symbols."

The Curators reported upon the condition of the cabinets of the Society, and, upon motion, it was ordered that a sum not to exceed one hundred dollars ($100) be placed at their disposal to enable them to examine and to arrange the same.

The Committee on Hall presented the following report, and resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

PHILADELPHIA, May 17, 1889.

To the President, Officers and Members of the American Philosophical Society:

GENTLEMEN: In view of the fact that the building which the American Philosophical Society now uses was occupied by it for the first time on November 21, 1789, we suggest the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a proper commemorative celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of its occupancy be held on November 21, 1889; the subject and order of exercises to be referred to a Special Committee of six members, with power to take action in the matter.

(Signed) J. SERGEANT PRICE,
WILLIAM A. INGHAM,
CHARLES A. OLIVER,
Hall Committee.

On motion, the President was authorized to appoint the Committee, which he did as follows: Messrs. J. Sergeant Price, William A. Ingham, Charles A. Oliver, Richard Vaux, Dr. Ruschenberger and Henry Phillips, Jr.

The minutes of the Board of Officers and Council were submitted.

This being the stated evening for the voting for candidates for membership, pending nominations Nos. 1183, 1185, 1186 and 1187 were read, spoken to and balloted for.

Pending nomination No. 1184, in the absence of its proposers, was postponed until October 18, 1889.

The Tellers appointed to receive the votes of the Society reported the result of the balloting to the President, who declared the following persons had been duly elected members, viz.:

No. 2156. Lester F. Ward, Washington, D. C.
No. 2157. Andrew A. Blair, Philadelphia.
No. 2158. Clarence H. Clark, Philadelphia.
No. 2159. Henry D. Gregory, Philadelphia.

And the Society was adjourned by the President.